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Attention: Ms. Sue Kiser

Attention: Mr. Ray Sukys

Dear Ms. Kiser and Mr. Sukys:

With this letter and pursuant to the authority delegated to me, I approve the following amendment of the Sacramento Area Council of Governments' (SACOG) 2004/05-2006/07 Interim Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP):

<u>No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	State, Local and Transit Elements Adds or modifies various projects from various funding programs in El Dorado, Placer, Sacramento, Sutter and Yolo counties. The amendment includes projects with funding from the Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP), Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) program, Federal Demonstration Program, Transportation Enhancement Activities (TEA) and various Federal Transit Administration (FTA) programs. See enclosure.

SACOG has requested the Department of Transportation (Caltrans) to exclude "Folsom Railroad Block Phase 1 (MPO ID: SAC24070)" and "Walton Avenue Widening (MPO ID: SUT10241)" projects from this amendment (Documentation from SACOG is enclosed). Therefore, these projects are not approved as part of this amendment. I am also recommending that the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration approve this FTIP Amendment No. 1 for inclusion into California's 2004/05-2006/07 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP). Projects included in this FTIP in fiscal years not within the three-year cycle of the current FSTIP are not approved as part of this FTIP amendment and are shown for information only.

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The changes being proposed to the Federal Transportation Improvement Program by this amendment with noted exclusions have been found by SACOG to not require a conformity analysis or determination. Therefore, this FTIP amendment is consistent with the State Implementation Plan. The financial impacts of this amendment are compatible with anticipated revenues in the FSTIP Financial Plan and do not significantly affect the overall financial analysis.

In accordance with existing law, public involvement procedures are a part of the project selection process. SACOG prepared this FTIP amendment under that process permitting citizens, affected local agencies, other public agencies, and other interested parties reasonable opportunity for comment.

Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Abhijit Bagde of my staff, at (916) 654-3638.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures

- c: Mark Brucker - EPA Office of Air Planning (w/enclosure)
- Mike McKeever - Sacramento Area Council of Governments
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- Rachel Falsetti - Caltrans
- Abhijit Bagde - Caltrans